

Blood-Stream Infection (CDC)

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Here are my comments after reading the above (overall it is very good):

I do not see a detail on the gauze under the transparent dressing for CVC that states the gauze should be changed every 24 hours until no longer needed under the transparent dressing (lines 459 to 462), and

Could you add a detail to line 484 saying that the "older than 2 months of age," should be older than two months post term age or adjusted age? The reason is that we have very low birthweight preemies born at 25 or 26 weeks gestation who when they are "two months old chronologically" are still premature at 33 to 34 weeks adjusted gestational age. The CHG-impregnated discs/sponge dressings are still too big for these two-month-olds and would restrict movement and lead to neurological injuries if utilized.

Thanks,

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Patients demand and deserve better than what they are getting. -- Peter Pronovost